

1

### ABSTRACT

2        The present invention provides a method for assembling a head gimbal  
3        assembly useful in a hard disk drive and for testing such an assembly. In a method  
4        in accord with the present invention a head/ slider is mounted to a circuited gimbal  
5        in an automated assembly machine. Following this step the head/slider circuited  
6        gimbal assembly will be subjected a dynamic electrical test with those head/slider  
7        circuited gimbal assemblies not passing being sorted from the lot. Following this  
8        step the head/slider circuited assembly will be attached to a suspension.